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SUBJECT: DRAFT PRESS RELEASE FOR MAY 16 NAC

REF: (A) GENEVA 7026, (B) STATE 119467

1. REQUEST APPROVAL FOR FOLLOWING SALT PRESS RELEASE FOR
MAY 16 NAC CONSULTATION. DRAFT FORMAT IS IN CLOSE ACCORD
WITH PRESS RELEASES FOR PREVIOUS SALT BRIEFINGS TO THE
COUNCIL.

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2. BEGIN TEXT. A CONSULTATION ON THE STRATEGIC ARMS
LIMITATION TALKS, WHICH THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET
UNION ARE CONDUCTING IN GENEVA, WAS HELD TODAY BY THE
NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL IN BRUSSELS. AMBASSADOR RALPH
EARLE II, ALTERNATE CHAIRMAN OF THE U.S. SALT DELEGATION,
PARTICIPATED. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY LT. GENERAL EDWARD
L. ROWNY, AND MR. MARK RAMEE.

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- AMBASSADOR EARLE BRIEFED THE COUNCIL ON CURRENT
DEVELOPMENTS IN THE SALT NEGOTIATIONS FOLLOWING SECRETARY
VANCE'S TALKS IN MOSCOW WITH SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER
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GROMYKO, AND SOVIET PRESIDENT BREZHNEV. MEMBERS OF THE
COUNCIL AND THE AMBASSADORS HAD A USEFUL EXCHANGE OF
VIEWS, INCLUDING A DISCUSSION ON THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE
NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE ALLIANCE. THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL
EXPRESSED THEIR APPRECIATION FOR THE REMARKS OF AMBASSADOR
EARLE. THE US DELEGATION TO NATO WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP
THE COUNCIL INFORMED ON ANY DEVELOPMENT OF PARTICULAR

IMPORTANCE THAT MAY ARISE BETWEEN CONSULTATIONS WITH THE
U.S. SALT DELEGATION. END TEXT.

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3. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT AND SALT DELEGATION
APPROVAL OF DRAFT RELEASE. BENNETT

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